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Ms. Nita Fuller
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Dear Ms. Fuller:

A summary of the 1983-2000 gypsy moth trapping program at Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge is enclosed for your information (Table 1). A map showing trap locations is also enclosed (Figure 1). The purpose of the trapping program is to monitor low-level gypsy moth populations and help determine when more intensive survey methods should be employed.

A total of 64 male moths were trapped at Ottawa NWR in 2000, resulting in an average of 10 moths per trap. This is a decrease from 17 moths per trap in 1999. Based on these results, gypsy moth populations will not impact the forest resources at this site in the immediate future.

It is important to continue having Ottawa NWR personnel look for other gypsy moth life stages such as larvae, pupae and/or egg masses while performing their normal duties. Please visit our GM Digest web page or a list of publications that can be helpful in the identification of these life stages, as well as a good source for general gypsy moth information. The web address is:
http://fhpr8.srs.fs.fed.us/wv/gmdigest/gmdigest.html.

We would like to continue the trapping program at the same intensity in 2001. Thank you for your continued cooperation and if you have any questions regarding these results, please call me at (304) 285-1556 or (301) 509-6633.

Sincerely,

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Field Representative

Enclosures

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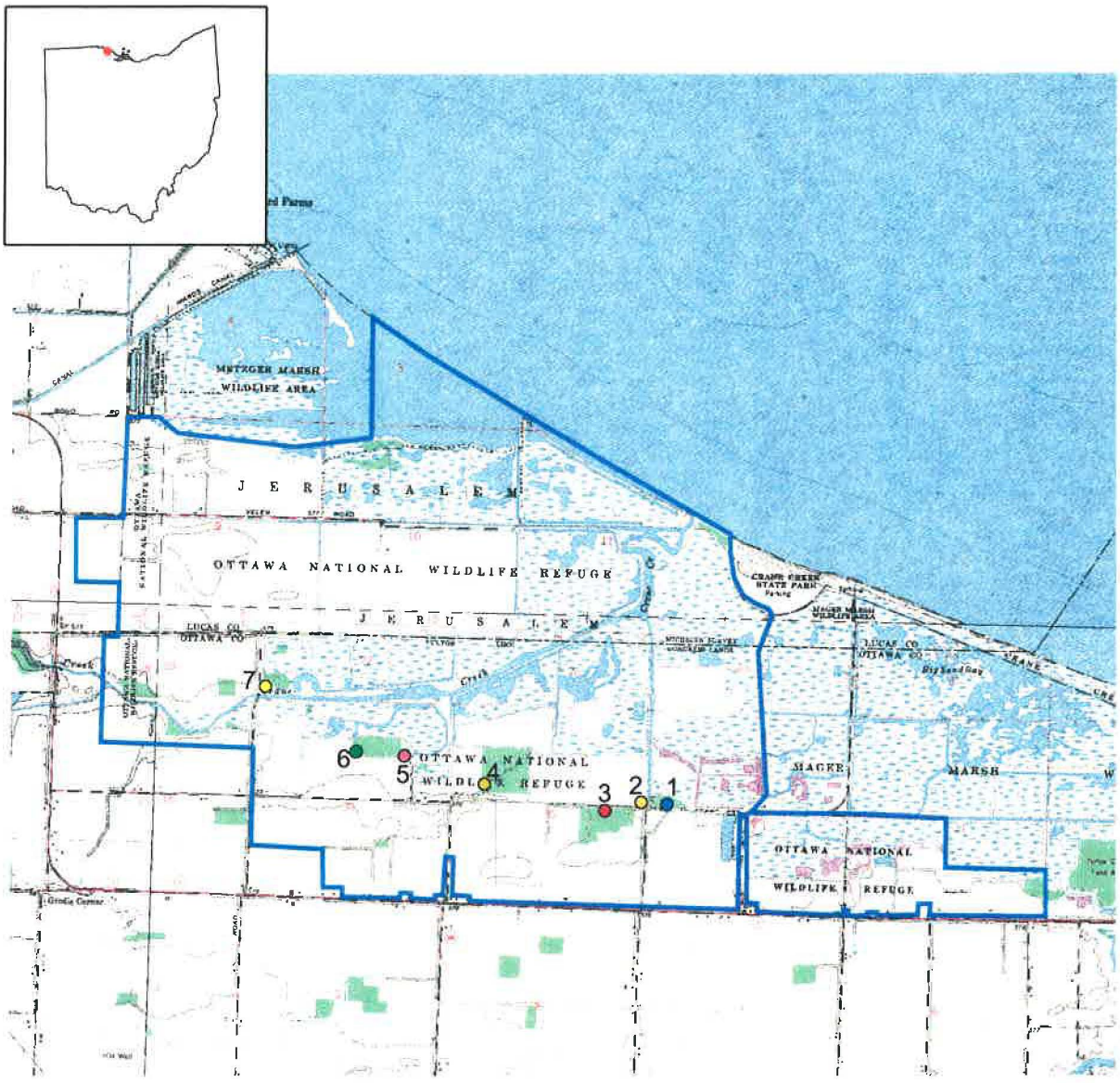
Table 1. - - Summary of the 1983-2000 gypsy moth trapping results, Region 3, USDI Fish and Wildlife Service.

Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge (Lucas and Ottawa Counties, OH)			
Year	Number of Traps	Total Moths Caught	Positive Catch Trap Number
1983	5	0	- -
1984	10	0	- -
1985			Traps not deployed
1986	10	11	1, 3, 4, 5
1987	7	3	3, 4, 7
1988	7	8	1, 2, 5, 7
1989	7	36	All except 2, 4
1990	7	28	All
1991	7	15	All
1992	7	19	All
1993	7	43	All
1994	7	28	All
1995	5	60	All
1996			Not deployed due to staff changes
1997	3	42	1, 6, 7
1998	7	77	All
1999	7	119	All
2000	7	64	All

Figure 1. 2000 Gypsy Moth Trapping Results at Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge.



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